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MUSICIANS TAKE WITNESS STAND IN SELF-DEFENSE

Blues' Band Is Under Court-Martial for Refusing to Play.

SAY THEY HAD NO WRITTEN ORDERS

Evidence Shows Performers Furnished Their Own Music and Instruments-Attorney Smith Claims Major Bowles Exceeded His Authority in Demanding Music.

Evidence in the court-martial proceedings instituted against afteen members of the Richmond Light Infantry Bluer Band for refusing to report at the armory on the night of February 1, to play at a military ball given in honor of the vigiting cader battallon of the Virginia Military institute, was concluded late yesterday afternoon, and the court adjourned to consider the case. The findings will be private until they have been reviewed by Governor H. C. Stuart.

From Horder.

Washington, April 27.—Orders were issued by the War Department to-day transferring the Mexican prisoners held at Fort Bliss, near El Paso, Texas, to Fort Wingate, New Mexico. The War Department believed it necessary to move the prisoners further from the Mexican border in view of possible developments.

The third squadron of the Twelfth Cayalry, how at Fort Mende, South Daketa, will be sent to Fort Wingate to guard the prisoners.

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Walsenburg, Col., April 27.—At 10:30 o'clock to-night it was reported there that the towns of Louisville, Lafay-ett and Marshall, in the Northern Colorado coal fields, had been attacked by striking miners with machine guns, and that Louisville was on fire.

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ernor H. C. Stuart.

The court convened at noon, and immediately began hearing the evidence.
The formal charges against the striking musicians, which were made to adjutant-General W. W. Sale, were read, and the accused bandsmen enterand the accused barrisher elect-d pleasy of not guilty to each specifica-on. It was agreed that the trials reced separately, and Sergeant T. E. laughter, the ranking noncommis-oned officer of the band, was made

He admitted that no written or ers had been given the musicians, but hat they had been transmitted verbal-y to Sergeant Slaughter on Thurs-

t 3 o'clock court adjourned It re-onvened at 4 o'clock, and Sergeant laughter was called to the stand to

Rowled had approached him on the night of the last band rehearsal before the inaugural parade, and told him to tell Bandmaster Colivita that he met him and told him personally.

the same mind, and made no effort to call the band together until after the parade on Monday, when the latter told the musicians of Major Bowles's restricted and assistant business manager, respectively, conferred together and agreed that \$36 would be proper com-pensation for the men, all of whom

the parade. Gans, who was sent to see Major Bowles, returned and told the band that his proposal had been rejected, and that the major had told the men never to set foot in the armory again if they did not report for the ball. All then left without intention of return-

the following day. This suggestion.

band has thrown it into me night, and I will bankrupt the Blu

Raticulion to get revenge,"

Touching on the financial status of the band, Slaughter said it had never received any money, except \$150 from the battalion, although he understood that \$10 was paid for every man answering the roll at the annual State inspection. The money was paid, Slaughter said, when the band rooms were furnished. The bill was \$162, and the musicians paid the balance out of their own pockets. No music had been purchased for the band for twelve months, and the bandsmen owned their own instruments.

Other Musicians Testify. Drum-Major Gans, with a record of twenty-one years, was the next witness. He told substantially the same story as Slaughter. Refer ring to his visit to Major Bowles with the request that the band be paid for (Continued on Third Page.)

RAILROADS SCORE HEAVILY

"Federal," Not State, Law Meant in Employers' Liability Act.

Washington, April 27.—Railroads won two important points in personal injury suits to-day in the Supreme Court. The court decided that where the Federal employers' liability law of 1998 makes railroads absolutely liable if they are violating a "law" at the time an employe is injured, the word "law" meant "Federal" and not "State law." The court set aside a judgment of \$7,500 rendered by the Supreme Court of North Carolina in favor of James T. Horton, an engineer on the Seaboard Air Line.

The court also decided that a man injured while engaged in switching intrastate cars does not come within the Federal employers' liability act, though the next thing he was to do constituted an act of interstate commerce, As a result of this decision, the court held that John Behrens, a fireman of New Orleans, was not entitled to recover from the Illinois Central.

Practice Camps Called on.

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[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Raleigh, N. C., April 27.—There will be no practice camps for officers of the North Carolina National Guard this spring, according to an announcement made to-night by Adjutant-General Young. The practice school for infantry officers was to be held May 4-9 at Raleigh; cavalry at Fort Orglethorpe, Ga., and medical corps at Fort McPherson, Ga., later in the spring. The Federal funds for the purpose are not available.

PRISONERS TO BE MOVED

Now Guarding 4,500 Prisoners. Now Guarding 4,000 Prisoners.

El Paso, Texas, April 27.—The Mexican Federal prisoners now under guard at Fort Bliss, near here, number 4,900, of whom approximately 1,900 are women and children. The prisoners include Generals Mercado, Francisco, Castra, Blas, Orpinal and Romero General Jose Ynez Salazar, also confined with them, is under indictment in the United States on charges of violating the neutrality laws. He will be taken to Santa Fe for trial in May. Maximo Castillo, said to have been chief of the handlits who set fire to the Cumbre tunnel, in which at least eleven Americans lost their lives, also is a prisoner at Fort Bliss.

FEDERALS DEFEATED

ROYAL MARRIAGE WRECKED

Imperial Pamily in Consistenation Over Plight of Princess. [Special Cable to The Times-Dispatch 1 St. Petersburg, April 27.—Great consistenation prevails among the members of the Imperial France Co-day at the Standard Oil of the Imperial family concerning the members of the Imperial family concerning the members of the Imperial family concerning the members of the Imperial family concerning the Imperial family concerned the Imperial family concer

FIRST TOLL IN LIFE TAKEN

Boy Drowns in Creek Swollen by Spring Flood.

Dallas, Texas, April 27.—First toll in life was taken late to-day by the spring flood gathering generally over Texas as the result of three days' heavy rain.

Appreciation!

A prominent Virginian. judge of high standing, said last

"The Times-Dispatch is the only paper in Virginia that is not a local organ. The Times-Dispatch prints all the news, and especially that concerning all parts of Virginia. Every Virginian takes a pride in its

success." The appreciation of those who know is worth while. More than 40,000 persons

bought a copy of The Times-Dispatch last Sunday. They knew.

Monroe 1

BY ROCKEFELLER

Maintains Standard Oil Has Nothing to Medi-

FEDERAL TROOPS MUST TAKE HAND

Refusal of Oil King's Son to Aid in Settlement of Labor War in Colorado Means Armed Intervention by President Wilson-Conditions Are Serious.

Rocketeller Gives No Ala.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] New York, April 27.—John D. Rock-efeller, Jr., rejected the efforts of Prexto effect a peaceful settlement of the Colorado mine strike. As a result, Fed-eral troops in all probability will be ordered into the strike region to-mor-

Mr. Foster came on from Washing-on, having he President's approval

fration, and that, Mr. Rockefeller for fused to consider. The other story, which emanates from Standard Oil cir-cles, is that Mr. Foster merely asked Mr. Rockefeller if he could offer any

Had Played for Dances.

Sergeant Slaughter said that the men considered it their duty to play at dances following the battalion della and always did so without question. They had never, he said, been called upon to play for anything class since 1911, when the Poot Guards visited this city. There was no extra pay then.

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might be averted and laborers who desiscovery sired night return in safety to work, it was admitted the President had appealed to Mr. Rockefeller, Sr., who had the conference was had. No statement was given out. It was observed that rince the conference was with that rince the conference was with that rince the conference was with a personal representative of the Presi-nant Mr. Wilson alone should make operation among the people themselves, and the people and their govern-

Chandler in Fremont County Col., efficient

HUERTA CABLES FORMAL ACCEPTANCE OF 'GOOD OFFICES' IN BEHALF OF PEACE

New Rapid-Fire Gun and "the Man Behind"



A "fackle" aboard the battleship "Virginia," the flagship of Rear-Admi ni Bentty, commander of the Third of rapid-fire gun has already been used with telling effect in the seizure of Vera Cruz.

Mayor and Members of Both Head of Big Lithographing Either Carranza or Villa Must Branches of Council Are to Be Elected.

Canvass Returns at Auditorium To-Night.

and 6:55 o'clock this afternoon the sov-ereign people will rally to the twen- and of the firm of the same name in

Councilman Umlauf. The race between ness connections. He was these two was the chief tople of con- of the Westmoreland Club. ersation last night wherever citizens gathered to discuss the impending and by two sons, Hudson P. Hoen and Dispatch to submit their final views on

look in Colorado. He was reticent about his talk with the representative, but admitted that he had been unable to induce Mr. Rockefeller to recede from his attitude. In the absence of any effective plan of mediation, Mr. Foster declared. Federal troops would have to be dispatched to Trinidad.

After hearing Mr. Rockefeller, Mr. Foster conferred for some time with J. C. Osgood, president of the Victor-American Fuel Company of Colorado, who, is at the Vanderbilt Hotel. One of the mines of this concern, located at

mines of this concern, located at me to guarantee to the people a more ller in Fremont County Col., efficient administration in the future, was captured by the strikers to-day, and I ask their votes upon the record as made, confident that they will not (Continued on Second Page.)

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E. A. HOEN DIES IN **BREAKING POINT** OFFICERS TO-DAY ATLANTIC CITY

Away. in Revolution. GREAT INTEREST IN RESULT HAD BEEN ILL TWO MONTHS NOW HOLDING CONFERENCE

Accept Second Position

pose Differences.

departed without him

arture of Rafael Zubaran, Carranga's

was made to conceal the fact

Minister of the Interior, for Washing-He left this morning and every

With Pesqueira here and Zuburan in Washington there will be a chain for discussion of the capture of Vera Cruz

military policy.

Carranza still is awaiting a reply from President Wilson and Secretary Bryan to his disturbing note of last

City Democratic Committee Will Was Widely Known in Business, Central Figures Among Rebels Social and Musical Meet at Chihuahua to Com-

Circles.

Establishment Passes

inction of to-day's nominees will all the was born in Darthille and formed at the regular municipal staty-three years ago, and came to on on the perond Tuesday in Richmond when he was eighteen years

through agents thoroughly familiar with sentiment of Northern Mexico and United States Navy.

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Wr. Imhauf's Statement.

"Upon the integrity and cleanness of my private, business and political to the coverage of the coverage of the past thirty-eight years in our city. I ask the people of Richard Theorem April 2The that decent modesty forbids in the coverage of the coverage of

CORSETS VS. SHOES

since my induction into office.

The principle that has guided me has been to perfect team work and cooperation among the people themselves between the people and their government. It considered that me people in the conference with Mr. Rockefeller, or his concern over the outlook in Colorado. He was reticent about his talk with the representation among the people without any exceptions, and I have made no exception in my conduct in that respect to the whole people without any exceptions, and I have made no exception in my conduct in that respect to the whole people without any exceptions, and I have made no exception in my conduct in that respect to the whole people without any exceptions, and I have made no exception in my conduct in that respect to the whole people without any exceptions, and I have made no exception in my conduct in that respect to the whole people without any exceptions, and I have made no exception in my conduct in that respect to the whole people without any exceptions, and I have made no exception in my conduct in that respect to the whole people without any exceptions, and I have made no exception in my conduct in that respect to the whole people without any exceptions, and I have made no exception in my conduct in that respect to the whole people without any exceptions, and I have made no exception in my conduct in that respect to the whole people without any exceptions, and I have made no exception in my conduct in that respect to the whole people without any exceptions, and I have made no exception in my conduct in that respect to the whole people without any exceptions, and I have made no exception in my conduct in that respect to the whole people without any exceptions, and I have made no exceptions in turning the cliff of the woof the primary factors in turning the cliff of the primary factors in turning the cliff of the woof the primary factors in turning the cliff of the woof the primary factors in turning the cliff of the woof the primary factors in turning the cliff of the pr moted from permittons
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down to two deadly engines of fas ion-corsets and shoes. The former bad, but it falls to equal the bad r sults of the presentday shoe. Not in the world is more abused the human foot, and to tight or

GROW BRIGHTER Tension Relaxes Greatly With Initial Success of "A B C" Diplomats. NEXT STEP WILL BE

WITH HIS ACTION

MEDIATION HOPES

Statement of Demands From This Country and Mexico Likely to Be Asked To-Day. While Washington Is Hopeful of Amicable Settlement, Vigilance Is Maintained and Army and Navy Go Forward With Their Preparations for Out-

break of Hostilities-Spirit in Congress Is More Conciliatory.

MAKING OF PLANS

Washington, April 27.—Formal acceptance by the Huerta government of the offer of Argentina, Brazil and Chile to use their good offices to bring about an amicable settlement of the difficulty between the United States and Mexico was cabled to Spanish Ambassador Riano here to-night by Portillo y Rojas, Foreign Minister in the Huerta Cabinet.

Senor Rojas's note was transmitted at once to the three South American diplomats, who began a conference.

at once to the three South American diplomats, who began a conference, which lasted far into the night, discussing the next move in their peace plan. Secretary of State Bryan, having accepted the offer of good offices when tendered the United States on Saturday, the first step now is completed and the way paved for actual negotiations looking to a peaceful clearing up of the situation.

Text Not Made Public.

Neither Ambassador Riano nor the beace envoys would make public the at of the Huerta acceptance. It was said, however, that Senor Rojas re-El Paso, Tex., April 27.—The relations between General Carranza and General Villa suddenly became the one topic of conversation to-day on dist semination of Information brought in by refugees and the sudden departure of Villa for Carranza's headquarters in Thinushua.

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ereign people will rally to the twenty of the firm of the same name in ty-two voting precincts to elect a Mayor of the city of Richmond, twenty Councilmen and eleven Aldermen. The successful candidates will take office September 1.

While strictly speaking, to-day's primary will do no more than select the Democratic nominees for the municipal offices enumerated, their senior will be tantamount to election, since rival parties are not expected to put competing nominees in the field. The election of to-day's nominees will be confirmed at the regular municipal is sixty-three years age, and came to the same name in Baltimore, died of pneumonia in Atlantic City to constitutional standard the Spanish ambassation of Information brought in topic of conversation to-day on distribution of Information brought in the sudden departure of Villa for Carranza's headquarters in Minushum.

The two leaders were to meet to-night, it was expected, to compose their differences over the attitude which the Constitutionalists shall hold toward the United States and over grave probable in the field.

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Villa Invited Roberto V. Fesquere, to already had made it virtually certain Carranza's confidential agent here, to already had made it virtually certain go with him, but Pesquiera, who is the that General Huerta would accept the go with him, but Pesquiera of the Consti-forer of the peace envoys, but the forest personnel to night tended Villa Invited Roberto V Pesanetra Unofficial advices from Mexico City already had made it virtually certain goal Foreign Minister of the Consti-toffer of the peace envoys, but the fortutionalists, although he hold no portional announcement to night tended tollo, pleaded pressure of business here, further to relieve the slackening tension of the crisis. The news was given to President Wilson, who expressed himself as greatly pleased, though he would make no further comment. White House officials let it be known and the train, after waiting five hours, Off for Washington.
Significance was attached to the de-

White House officials let it be known that they were carnestly desirous of aiding the South American diplomats and that no announcements as to points that would be insisted upon by the United States would be made or anything else done at this time which might embarrass their efforts. Throughmit afficial and diplomatic aircles the out official and diplomatic circles the belief was expressed that success of the peacemakers so far necessarily would have a favorable effect upon the situation; that even if their efforts ultimately failed, indirect diplotorts ultimatery latted, indirect diplo-matic communication between the United States and the Huerta govern-ment has been restored temporarily and the chance of a better under-

The success of the first steps to-ward mediation—the prompt accept-ance by the United States and the anance by the United States and the announcement of the Spanish ambassador that Huerta had accepted the tender of good offices—produced a feeling of distinct hope which was reflected not only in administration quarters, but in Congress, where "war talk gave way to a spirit of conciliation."

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Throughout the day the three South American envoys, who have undertaken the task of mediation, held frequent conferences to arrange the preliminaries of procedure.

The President and Secretary Bryan were assured through the two separate diplomatic sources that Huerta was ready to accept the tender of good offices, and was drafting a formal acceptance. Pressure from Germany, Great Britain and France, advising Huerta to accept the first steps toward mediation, and the approxing attitude of Latin-American countries toward the settlement of the controversy by Pan-American diplomacy, emphasized the world-wide influences which are working to bring about peace.

Meanwhile, the Navy and War De-Mahoney Not Responsible,
New York, April 27.—The commission
appointed to inquire into the sanity of
Michael P. Mahoney, the aged crank
who wounded Corporation Counsel
Frank L. Polk, in an attempt to kill
Mayor Mitchel, to-day said that Mahoney was suffering from senile dementia, and was irresponsible at the
time of the shooting. It soon will file
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Meanwhile, the Navy and War Departments are continuing their efforts to care for refugees, and perfecting the machinery of the army and navy for any unexpected turn in events.

Secretary Daniels announced he had telegraphed the full text of the mediation offer, and its acceptance by the United States to both Rear-Admirals Badger and Howard, with instructions to have the commanders of all ships on the east and west coasts spread the news throughout Mexico. By this Mr. Daniels hopes the feeling toward Americans may be alleviated, and refugees enabled to depart without molestation.

Order in Mexico City.

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Advices received through the British embassy told of the completion of arrangements for the safe departure of Athericans from Mexico City, while the French ambassador gave the State Dapartment a message he had received from the French legation, stating that while there had been some anti-American manifestations in the Mexican capital, order now prevailed.

Secretary Bryan said he was abla-

VOTE TO-DAY

a report.

Citizens of Richmond select a Mayor and City Council today.

Those who vote determine the conduct of the city government. Those who fail to vote have no right to complain of the way the city is operated.

Polls open 5:20 A. M. Polls close 6:55 P. M.